

19 Trent Street
July 13, 1943

Dear Mr Manley,

I am writing in response to a message received from Mr Arnold, my local sports reporter. I am very grateful to the offer for a connection in playing baseball, but I am now playing in American Legion competition and this forbids me from playing with an outside team. I also intend to finish High School and go to College as I am only sixteen and playing would nullify my amateur standing.

Sincerely
Melvin Hoffman